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## JIM ALEXANDER IS CHAMPIONED

S. S. Marsh Talks of the Congressional Candidates.

"A FRIEND OF THE PEOPLE."

This Well Known Writer Declares That Alexander Has Only Barrs to Beat.

Starke S. Marsh, of Manatee, who is one of the shrewdest and most successful young lawyers in South Florida, this discusses the Congressional race in the Second District of Florida:

Manatee, Fla., Oct. 14, 1903.

To the Editor of The Metropolis:

In reading the many State papers which are howling so much about candidates and their fitness for the offices they aspire to, and especially the candidates who have announced themselves in the Second District, it reads really funny to a man who has once lived in the district and is thoroughly acquainted with all the candidates and their real fitness and right to said office.

Of course, there is no law to prohibit any one running for public office, and it is a very good law, but it does look like there ought to be some law to prohibit some poor fools from imposing on the people by forcing themselves on the people and asking them to support them for public office when they fall in every particular to merit the qualifications of the office.

Let's compare the candidates and see what they are and where they have lived and who have the interest of the people at heart, instead of financial gain.

There are now the Hon. J. E. Alexander, Hon. J. M. Barrs, Charles Dougherty, Frank Clark, R. D. McDonald, Charles Fildes and A. O. Wright, who have announced themselves for this honored position to represent the people of the Second District in Congress.

Now, out of the seven who is the most suited and which one is the most deserving man? To sum the matter up in a nutshell and to say who will know that they were really running it will be between the Hon. J. E. Alexander, of DeLand, and the Hon. J. M. Barrs, of Jacksonville, but as to which one will get it I know not, but I do know that for ability, and faithfulness to the party and to the people of the Second District that they are the ones who should be honored by the popular vote, and I can't but help believe that one or the other of these noble sons will be rewarded. Of course, as to my preference I must frankly say that I would if there were for and work, both teeth and toe nails, for Mr. J. E. Alexander, knowing him as I do for more than twenty years, or ever since I can remember, I could not do otherwise. Alexander was born a Southern boy in the great State of Tennessee. Afterwards he graduated at the Lebanon Law School with high honors. He then cast his lot in the fair Land of Flowers, where he has continuously made his home for over twenty years, at times holding some high, honored position and never betraying a trust. He is a man gifted with numerous abilities, and if elected he would serve his constituents faithfully and honorably.

It has often been said that James E. Alexander possesses one of the largest hearts of any man in the South. He never forsakes a friend in trouble and always knows everybody and offers them his hand, it matters not whether they are rich or poor or whether they are a candidate or not.

Mr. Barrs is a good man and has done much for the party and is a deserving man, but as to Charles Dougherty and Frank Clark, they may be good enough men, but they are not loyal enough to our State to be honored to such a position. They only reside here when they think there is a chance of holding some office. It seems to be a well known fact that both of them deserted our fair State for other quarters long ago, but have recently meandered back to bite at the political plum. And as to Messrs. Fildes, McDonald and Wright, nobody will ever know that they are in the race.

I believe in being loyal to the man who is loyal to his State and party all the time, not only when he thinks there is a chance for him to fool the people into electing him to office. I yet feel a great interest in my home county and my fellow-citizens and friends, nor can I believe that the people of Volusia county or the Second Congressional District will ever send either of these prodigal sons who have deserted Florida and returned within the past year to that honored place in Congress, but, on the other hand, I hope to hear of them lining up and giving my friend Alexander a warm support.

If it should fall to my lot to be able to visit the Second District before the election I will certainly be found in the Alexander ranks.

Before Mr. Alexander announced himself I favored J. M. Barrs, and would have supported that gentleman if I had been given an opportunity, but I can't not go back on a man whom I know to be a friend of the poor people at all times, a man who has been tried and

never found wanting, and that man is James E. Alexander.

No man can ever regret his vote if cast for James E. Alexander, nor will his wife and children love him any less, for if it be in his power they will all be equally provided for. The poor would ride and attend theaters as well as the rich. "Let justice be done, though the heavens may fall."

Yours respectfully  
STARKE S. MARSH.

### TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.

To be Held in Gainesville—Able Educators Will Speak.

Program for the Alachua County Teachers' Association to be held in Gainesville, November 26-28, 1903:

THURSDAY EVENING.

7:30—Music.

Prayer—Rev. T. P. Hay.

Address of Welcome—Hon. J. M. Rivers.

Response to Address of Welcome—Prof. O. M. Tillman.

Address—Prof. T. F. McLeath.

Music.

Address—Prof. J. H. Folks.

FRIDAY MORNING.

Music.

Prayer—Rev. J. B. Holley.

9:30—The Influence of a well Disciplined School on Character in its Relation to Home, Business and Government.

Prof. J. C. Kellum and Prof. M. C. McIntosh.

10:45—Home Training in Relation to School Discipline Prof. N. B. Mott and Mrs. Edith Hunter.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

2:00—Art in Public Schools—Miss Clem Hampton.

Procession of Centuries—Mrs. J. E. Johnston.

Our Debt to Posterity—Prof. J. A. Ormond, Prof. P. Q. Cason, and Prof. G. M. Patterson.

FRIDAY EVENING.

8:00—The Sources of Failure in Teaching—Col. J. M. Guillian.

Address—Capt. Geo. M. Lynch.

SATURDAY MORNING.

9:00—Relation of the Principal to the Community—Prof. S. J. Ellis, Prof. W. E. Bell, and Miss Ruby Hawkins.

The Importance of Supplementary Reading in all of the Grades—Mrs. C. M. Baldwin and Miss Nolie Strickland.

The Love of Books—Miss Almira Lettner.

11:30—Business Session.

[The above was unavoidably crowded out of last Friday's Star.]

Tardy Witnesses and Jurors.

The tardiness of witnesses and jurors often cause delay in court proceedings, and thereby greatly inconvenience many others, as well as cause the cost of courts to be greatly augmented. We have noticed during the present term of the court here, that the names of witnesses and jurors who were ordered to be present at a specified hour are often absent when called. Some officer of the court, or friend of the tardy one who chances to be present announces that the person called will be in on such and such a train, etc.

These tardy ones probably do not realize that they are delaying the entire court proceedings, but they are, and are causing the court expenses to be greatly augmented. Witnesses and jurors summoned to be here at 8:30 a. m. cannot expect to arrive in time if they depend on a 10 or 11 o'clock train to bring them.

Announcement.

I wish to announce to my friends and patrons that I have added to my store a special feature of my business. I will have in that department shoes for everybody—ladies', men's, boys', misses', children's and infant's shoes.

I have placed my crockery, china, lamp and glassware department on the second floor, and have added several new patterns of dinnerware and other desirable goods. I respectfully invite you to call and visit my several departments, see my goods and get my prices.

Thanking my friends and customers for past liberal patronage, and wishing a continuance of same, promising high-class service, and stock at reasonable price.

Sincerely yours,  
L. C. SMITH.

Accidental Killing.

At the Kelley-McDonald saw mill near Windsor, last Friday morning, Jake Moubley, colored, lost his life by being crushed by a log from the log train.

Bystanders who saw the man killed say it was the result of carelessness on the part of the unfortunate victim, as he could easily have kept out of the way of the log, but notwithstanding this fact, and that no blame attaches to the employers, Messrs. Kelley and McDonald deeply regret the occurrence.

Walls Fell.

A portion of the walls of the Crawford & Davis stables, which were destroyed by fire last week, but which did not all fall during the fire, fell Saturday soon after noon, during a considerable wind, and the office building of Attorney E. C. F. Sanchez, between which and the falling walls there were but a few feet of space—a wooden structure—was demolished.

## CIRCUIT COURT WORKING SLOW

Not Much Done Since Our Last Issue Appeared.

JACKSON CASE BEING TRIED.

Several Unimportant Cases—Grand Jury Finishes Up and Is Discharged.

FRIDAY'S SESSION.

Court convened this morning at 8:30.

His Honor Judge Willis presiding.

The first case called was that of the State vs. J. W. Patton, obtaining money under false pretense. The prosecuting witness was a colored woman named Sallie Bivins, from High Springs. States Attorney Calhoun being convinced that there was no evidence against the accused would not attempt to prosecute the case, but Attorney Carlisle insisted on prosecuting. So completely did the prosecution fail to make out a case that the jury rendered a verdict of not guilty without leaving the jury box. The attorneys in the case were J. A. Carlisle prosecuting, and W. S. Broome and B. A. Thrasher defending.

The case of the State vs. Lawyer Hunt, breaking and entering with intent to commit a misdemeanor, resulted in a mistrial.

Peter Rutledge was arraigned on a charge of stealing a domestic animal. A jury was empaneled and further action in the case postponed until Saturday morning.

In the case of the motion to quash indictment against Augustus Waters, selling liquor in a dry county, which argument was begun by Attorney Davis Thursday afternoon, the motion was overruled by the court.

The grand jury returned the following true bills:

State vs. Lucius Gordon, larceny.

State vs. Wesley Hall, selling liquors in a dry county.

State vs. Ed J. Johnson, selling liquors in a dry county.

State vs. Wesley Hall, selling liquors in a dry county.

State vs. Simon Williams and Carrie Johnson, living in adultery.

State vs. Dan Johnson and Hattie Clark, living in adultery.

The grand jury made its presentations for the term and was discharged.

SATURDAY'S SESSION.

Court convened at 8:30 a. m., and the case of the State vs. Peter Rutledge, larceny of a calf, was resumed, and the forenoon was consumed therewith.

The jury returned to the court room at 2:30 p. m., and declared they could not agree. The court asked if they wanted further instruction, but they expressed no desire to be further instructed, and they were sent back to their room to see if they could not agree. They returned later, announced a mistrial and were discharged.

State vs. John Christodimides, selling goods on Sunday, not guilty.

State vs. Lucius Gordon, grand larceny. Prisoner arraigned and pleaded guilty of petit larceny. Court adjourned until Monday at 9 a. m.

MONDAY'S SESSION.

Court convened this morning and a number of witnesses and jurors failed to answer to their names. But little business was transacted before noon, and when court convened at 2 p. m., for the afternoon session, the case of the State vs. A. L. Jackson, murder, coming on to be heard, the defendant was arraigned and plead not guilty.

In this case the State is represented by States Attorney B. P. Calhoun, assisted by Attorney R. E. Davis. The defendant is represented by Attorneys C. C. Thomas, B. A. Thrasher and S. L. Carter. The defendant's wife, sister and other lady relatives were seated within the bar, as was also Mrs. York, widow of the man who was killed, and some of her lady relatives and friends. There were also present male relatives of both the defendant and the deceased, and the large court room was well filled with spectators.

A jury was secured late in the afternoon, and the court adjourned until Tuesday morning, when the case will be proceeded with. The jury is composed of the following named gentlemen: T. A. Birt, C. C. Cox, A. B. Simmons, H. L. Perryman, M. A. Osteen, R. K. Roberts, G. W. Kinney, J. R. Thomas, E. Osteen, T. J. McKinney, T. H. Pardee, T. I. Love.

Grand Jury Presentation.

The grand jury presentation for the present term of court was unavoidably crowded out of today's Star, but it will appear in Friday's issue. The jury was a good one, and did much work.

Johnson Brothers, druggists and pharmacists, request their friends, and the public in general to call on them in their new quarters at No. 100, corner of West Main and West Liberty streets. Not only have we new quarters, but our stock of drugs, toilet articles, etc., is also new and complete. Old patrons are invited to come to our new quarters, and new customers are solicited.

### DEATH OF F. O. DRIVER.

Died at Home of Relatives Near Archer Yesterday Morning.

Died at the home of his brother-in-law, J. J. Bigham, of Archer, yesterday morning at 2 o'clock, Frank O. Driver of this city, who had gone there hoping the change would benefit him.

Deceased had been in failing health for several months, and for several days before the end came his condition was considered critical.

He was about 30 years of age, and was united in marriage to Miss Eliza Goode, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Goode of this city, at a very early age. The young wife died several years ago and left a young son, little Rye, who has since been tenderly cared for by his grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Goode. This little one, now a bright lad seven years of age, could not have been left in kinder hands and though left here without either father or mother, he cannot want.

When the news of the death was received here yesterday morning, Mrs. J. S. Goode proceeded to Archer and accompanied the remains to this city. On arrival here they were taken to the Goode home—the Magnolia Hotel—where the funeral services were conducted by Rev. J. B. Holley, pastor of the First Baptist church, Robert McClellan acting as funeral director. The services were largely attended, and many and beautiful were the floral offerings contributed by loving hands.

After the services at the house the remains were laid to rest in Evergreen cemetery, where the ceremonies were concluded. The following gentlemen acted as pall-bearers: S. V. Duke, B. F. Duke, J. P. Hawknight, S. J. Burnett, Guss Morton, J. P. Bunch.

Besides Mrs. Goode, who went to Archer yesterday, the following named relatives and friends accompanied the remains to this city: Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Bigham, and Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Brown, of Archer; H. Driver, of Clark; J. M. Driver, Miss Annie Driver and Mrs. R. L. Meeks, of Tampa.

### Fine Animal Killed.

Mayor W. R. Thomas had the misfortune Sunday to lose a fine mare for which he paid \$250, for an animal to match.

Mr. J. C. Haile had requested that a team be sent to his place to bring Mrs. Haile to Gainesville to spend Sunday with friends. The team was sent out, and when the colored man who carried out the team arrived at Mr. Haile's place, he left the buggy and opened an outer gate, through which opening he lead the team, and at this time the horses ran, struck a tree and demolished the buggy and broke a leg of one of the animals, which rendered it necessary to kill the injured one.

Mrs. Haile is to be congratulated on her good fortune in not being in the buggy when the accident occurred.

### None Too Liberally.

The people of Gainesville have responded liberally, but none too liberally, to an appeal for a contribution to our excellent firemen who saved the entire business portion of the city from destruction the night that Crawford & Davis' stables were destroyed by fire last week. The firemen feel that they did only their duty, but should the citizens not show their appreciation in a substantial way their duty would not be performed.

Try Fagan's for best meats.  
M. D. Jackson of Bell was in Gainesville yesterday.

Have your clothing cleaned at Owen Lloyd's Dye Works.  
July 14, if A. B. Simmons, of Bell, is here serving on the jury.

N. J. Walton of Wacahoota, was in the city Saturday.

C. M. Bauknight, merchant, of Archer, was in the city yesterday.

J. C. Haile, of Alachua, was a business visitor to the city Saturday.

Hon. T. J. Love of Jennings Lake was here yesterday attending court.

Miss Eva Haile has returned from a delightful visit to friends at Alachua.

M. I. Jones, of Tacoma, was among those who attended court here yesterday.

Miss Julia Cox, a popular young lady of LaCrosse, died of typhoid fever a few days ago.

C. C. Cox of the Cox Bridge section, near Alachua, is in the city attending court as a juror.

Come in and look over our china department. Our prices are as low as the lowest. L. C. Smith.

Raymond J. Fitch, a prominent merchant of High Springs, was here yesterday on court business.

If you want money to buy or build a home, pay off mortgage, or contract for profitable investment see Moyers.

Mayor J. H. Prator, of Micanopy, was in the city yesterday, having been summoned on the petit jury.

Old newspapers, suitable for wrapping purposes, 15 cts. a hundred or 25 for 5 cts., at THE STAR OFFICE.

Elder Christopher Matheson conducted the services at the High Springs Presbyterian church last Sunday.

Many witnesses and jurors, who spent last week here attending court, left for their respective homes Saturday.

Call and see us in our new quarters, Johnson Brothers, druggists, No. 100, corner West Main and West Liberty Sts.

Miss Mary Strobhar has returned from Cincinnati, where she attended the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music.

Mrs. John M. Shelton, of High Springs, was the guest of her sister, Mrs. S. V. Duke of this city, last Saturday.

Fresh meats, groceries and vegetables Call, send me your orders or phone for what you want. J. G. Harrold, Phone No. 25.

In a letter from Hon. James E. Alexander, candidate for Congress, to the Star, Mr. Alexander says: "I am a sure runner."

Parasols and umbrellas suitable for all classes. No matter what your taste, your needs, or your price, we can satisfy you. L. C. Smith.

Rev. L. W. Moore editor of the Christian Advocate, filled the pulpit of the Methodist church at Hawthorne last Sunday.

Giddings' Hair Grower does the work. For Sale by Dr. S. B. Giddings, Gainesville, and the Postoffice Drug Store, High Springs, Fla.

Dr. F. Prescott Bullock and wife, late residents of Augusta, Ga., arrived last week, and will remain in Gainesville permanently.

Mr. W. E. Bryant, who has been quite ill with typhoid fever at the home of his wife's parents Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Jackson—this city, is improving.

FOR SALE. A beautiful soda font, in perfect order, and very cheap. Any one wishing a bargain should come to The Star office and see this font.

W. B. Riviere, one of High Springs' most respected citizens, was attending court here yesterday. While here Mr. Riviere paid The Star a pleasant call.

If your hair is becoming thin try Giddings' Unparalleled Hair Grower. For sale by Dr. S. B. Giddings, Gainesville, and the Postoffice Drug Store, High Springs, Fla.

W. L. Denham, formerly of this city, but now traveling representative of the Industrial Record of Jacksonville, was in the city Friday and paid The Star a call.

If it is job printing you want just send your order to the Star. It will give prompt attention, and work and prices will suit you.

J. S. Ricks, W. M. Thomas, of Bell; Clarence Shipman, of Archer; George Snowden, of Orange Heights, and William Norman, of Williston, were in the city Saturday.

Bring us your cotton, and price our goods. If you can do better elsewhere than with us, no harm done, but give us a trial. G. W. Rasterlin & Co., High Springs, Fla.

B. H. Powell, High Springs; T. J. Hammond, Hawthorne; R. R. Ormond, Rex; Monroe Venable, Kanapaha; W. J. Hodge, Alachua, and W. H. Tison, Ocala, were in the city yesterday.

If you have a house, or room, or set of rooms to rent, advertise same in The Star. If you are too busy to come to the office just phone us the wording of your ad. Our phone is No. 86.

Mr. M. F. Simons, of the Royal Phosphate mine at Osceola, who lately returned from Bayview, Mich., where he had been passing the summer, spent Sunday in the city on his way to Osceola.

Mr. Joseph P. Taylor, of Standard, was a pleasant and profitable caller at the Star office yesterday. Mr. Taylor is agent for the Chicago Phosphate properties at Standard, and is a wide-awake, thorough-going business man.

Mrs. A. O. Steenburg and daughter, Miss Ruby, are sojourning at Leesburg, where they expect to spend about a month. Mrs. S. went there for electrical treatment, and her many Gainesville friends earnestly hope that she may be greatly benefited.

"We grasp at many things in life, And haste the grasp to sever; But grasp a Waterman's Fountain Pen, And the grasp is retained forever." Waterman's Fountain Pen can be bought in our jewelry department. L. C. Smith.

Mrs. W. L. Hill and little son, Robert, who have been sojourning in Maryland and at Winston, N. C. for some time, are expected to arrive today from the latter place. When they arrive Mr. Hill will not feel so much like a widower as he has been feeling of late.

Giddings' Unparalleled Hair Grower is all that its name implies. It cures dandruff stops falling hair and produces new hair. It is an excellent hair dresser. For sale at S. B. Giddings' Drug Store, Gainesville, and the Postoffice Drug Store High Springs.

Mr. S. M. Blitch, one of the most successful planters in the Jennings Lake Section, and a valued subscriber to The Star, returned to his home Saturday, after spending two weeks in this city as a grand juror. While in the city Mr. Blitch paid The Star office an appreciated visit.

School shoes are what you are looking for? We have the shoe that will give you satisfaction in both wear and appearance, and the cost is the lowest possible. We also have a nice line of ladies' and gents' shoes. We invite you to visit our shoe department before purchasing elsewhere. L. C. Smith.

Editor H. A. B. McKenzie, editor of that bright and sparkling journal, the Palatka Times-Herald, arrived in the city Saturday afternoon, and was the guest of Jesse E. Burtz until Monday noon. Brother McKenzie is one of Florida's ablest and brightest political paragraphers.

Mr. C. A. Gassett, who was one of the recently adjourned grand jurors, has returned to his home at Bell. Mr. Gassett is desirous of removing his family to this city, and if he can secure a house near the school building, so that he can send his children to school, he will come to Gainesville.

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# THE STAR.

THIS PAPER is published in the interest of the Moral, Business and Political Interests of Gainesville, Alachua County and Florida, and in the financial interests of its editor and proprietor.

THOSE WHO seemed to think when we started more than four months ago that THE STAR appeared in the journalistic sky only for the purpose of shining on a short temperance campaign were mistaken.

THE STAR is the PEOPLE'S paper, and will advocate such candidates for office as the editor conscientiously believes are the people's best friends when principle, experience and ability are all considered, and, while friendly suggestions are always welcomed, the policy of THE STAR will be controlled only by its editor and proprietor.

You Need It--

You Need THE STAR.

IF YOU favor our ideas—political and otherwise—you will enjoy reading THE STAR during the coming campaign which is to be the greatest ever conducted in Florida, and if you differ with the editor, on political or other matters, you should read the paper so that you can know where to hit him and how to head him off.

SEND US ONE DOLLAR and receive for twelve months

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D. E. GODWIN, Editor,

Gainesville, - - - Florida.

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